GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Departmental Proceedings against Sri A.Bhaskara Rao, VRO, Gali-bheemavaram, Paidivada, P.Agraharam, O/o Tahsildar, Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam District - Violation of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 – Departmental proceedings under rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC & A) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charges – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 382 **Dated: 01-07-2021.**

Read:-

G.O.Ms.No.153, Revenue (Vig.III) Department, Dt:01.07.2021

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri A.Bhaskara Rao, VRO, Gali-bheemavaram, Paidivada, P.Agraharam, O/o Tahsildar, Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of charges (Annexure—I). A statement of imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure – III & IV).

3. Sri A.Bhaskara Rao, VRO is directed to submit, within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defense.

4. Sri A.Bhaskara Rao, VRO is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri A.Bhaskara Rao, VRO is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in Para—3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri A.Bhaskara Rao, VRO is invited to Rule 24 of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri A.Bhaskara Rao, VRO is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

V. USHARANI,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri A.Bhaskara Rao, VRO, Gali-bheemavaram, Paidivada, P.Agraharam, O/o Tahsildar, Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam District through the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada.

Copy to:

The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Collector & District Magistrate, Visakhapatnam.
Sf/Sc.

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ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI A. BHASKARA RAO, S/o. SRI SURYANARAYANA, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER, GALIBHEEMAVARAM, PAIDIVADA VILLAGES O/o. TAHSILDAR, SABBAVARAM MANDAL VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT

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That Sri Ainaparthy Bhaskara Rao, S/o. Sri Suryanarayana joined in Revenue Department on 01.04.1998 as Village Assistant Officer and worked at Chodavaram. He got promotion as VRO and worked at Sabbavaram, Nathavaram and while working as Village Revenue Officer, Galibheemavaram, Paidivada, P. Agraharam village, office of the Tahsildar, Sabbavaram mandal, Visakhapatnam from 12.7.2019 to 24-01-2020, he had committed grave misconduct in as much as:

CHARGE

That Sri Ainaparthy Bhaskara Rao while functioning as Village Revenue Officer, Galibheemavaram, Paidivada, P. Agraharam, Visakhapatnam district has failed to distribute 64 e-pass books to the title holders i.e., 1) Smt. Akkireddy Lakshmi, 2) Smt. Seeramsetti Demudamma, 3) Smt. Golugori Anitha and 61 others, which are kept pending with him. He also failed to conduct field enquiry with regard to applications of Sri Reesu Gangu Naidu of Galibimavaram Village vide application No.RMU011903445635 and Sri Reesu Maikyam of Galibhimavaram Village vide application No.RMU011903464672 and submit his reports and failed to inform the reasons for rejection of their application.

Thus, Sri Ainaparthy Bhaskara Rao, S/o. Sri Suryanarayana while working as a Village Revenue Officer, Galibheemavaram, Paidivada, P. Agraharam Villages, Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam district by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of member of service and thereby violated Rule 3 (1) and (2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964.

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ANNEXURE –II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI. A. BHASKARA RAO, S/o. SRI SURYANARAYANA, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER, O/o. THE TAHSILDAR, SABBAVARAM MANDAL, VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT

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Sri Ainaparthy Bhaskara Rao, S/o. Sri Suryanarayana is a native of Chodavaram of Visakhapatnam district. His date of birth is 01-07-1964. He entered into Government service on 01.04.1998 as Village Assistant Officer and worked at office of the Tahsildar Chodavaram. He got promotion as Village Revenue Officer and worked at offices of the Tahsildar, Sabbavaram Mandal and Nathavaram Mandal and then posted as Village Revenue Officer, Galibheemavaram, Paidivada, P. Agraharam villages of Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam. He is drawing basic pay of Rs.30,580/- in the time scale of pay Rs.17,890/- - 53,950/-. He is due to retire from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 30.06.2024. He is herein after referred to as Government Servant (G.S.).

CHARGE:

That the Government Servant has failed to distribute 64 e-pass books to the title holders i.e., 1) Smt. Akkireddy Lakshmi, 2) Smt. Seeramsetti Demudamma, 3) Smt. Golugori Anitha and 61 others, which are kept pending with him. He also failed to conduct field enquiry with regard to applications of Sri Reesu Gangu Naidu of Galibimavaram Village vide application No.RMU011903445635 and Sri Reesu Maikyam of Galibhimavaram Village vide application No.RMU011903464672 and submit his report and failed to inform the reasons for rejection of their application.

Facts and Evidence:

On credible information that the staff of Tahsildar office, Sabbavaram are indulging in irregular practices by abusing their official position, the ACB staff conducted surprise check on the office of Tahsildar, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam district from 11.45 hours to 23.00 hours on 24.01.2020.

During surprise check, total 134 E-Pattadar Pass Books cum title deeds received from Madras Security Printers Pvt. Ltd., 72, TH Road, near Tollgate Bus Depot., Chennai are found. Out of which, 64 pass books were found with Sri A. Bhaskara Rao, VRO of Gali Bhimavaram, Paidiwada and P.Agraharam villages of Sabbavaram Mandal and they are kept with him without handing over to the formers. The list of pass books found is appended below.

Sl.No.	Khata No	Name of the Applicant	Name of the Village
1	561	Akkireddi Laxmi	Pydiwada Agraharam
2	673	Seeramsetti Demudamma	Pydiwada Agraharam
3	109	Seeramsetti Simhachalam	Pydiwada Agraharam
4	471	Goluguri Anitha	Pydiwada Agraharam
5	626	Goluguri Varalaxmi	Pydiwada Agraharam
6	671	Kotra Rajeswari	Pydiwada Agraharam
7	672	Appikonda Krishna Veni	Pydiwada Agraharam
8	674	GullaMaha Laxmi	Pydiwada Agraharam

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9	678	NethiDemullu	Pydiwada Agraharam
10	681	Kasumanchi Venkata Mahalaxmi Devi	Pydiwada Agraharam
11	682	Kurru Jyothi	Pydiwada Agraharam
12	676	YalamarthiNarasinga Rao	Pydiwada Agraharam
13	675	AkkireddiYallamma	Pydiwada Agraharam
14	670	Bobbari Laxmi	Pydiwada Agraharam
15	680	PeddapalliRamu	Pydiwada Agraharam
16	677	Yalamarthi Saroja	Pydiwada Agraharam
17	789	PereddiGovinda	Pydiwada
18	793	Bypalli Janaki Ram	Pydiwada
19	794	BypalliGandi	Pydiwada
20	348	Kona Satyavathi	Pydiwada
21	970	Kona Kalyan Kumar Naidu	Pydiwada
22	680	SaripalliAppalaraju	Pydiwada
23	974	SandranaAppalaraju	Pydiwada
24	792	Karanam Suribabu	Pydiwada
25	795	Nadipalli Jaya	Pydiwada
26	486	Mukka Venkata Sai Sankar	Pydiwada
27	787	Kalaga Ramana	Pydiwada
28	765	Karri Adhilaxmi	Pydiwada
29	969	Kona Mohan Kumar Naidu	Pydiwada
30	1367	ChittiboyinaSuribabu	Aripaka
31	1122	JaalaBala Bharathi	Aripaka
32	398	MajjiPothuraju	Aripaka
33	1366	Rapeti Laxmi	Aripaka
34	1368	Gompa Aruna	Aripaka
35	682	Alla Vijaya Laxmi	Lagisettipalem
36	628	GeddamThammayya Naidu	Lagisettipalem
37	680	Doddigarla Raja Manohar	Lagisettipalem
38	681	Maddu Vijaya Bhaskar	Lagisettipalem
39	798	Veera Vara ThodarmarUmadevi	Galibheemavaram
40	650	Desetti Leela Chinna Sridhar Rao	Gotiwada

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41	458	Yaduri Gowri	Galibheemavaram
42	586	Saragadam Venkata Suri Apparao	Galibheemavaram
43	818	SirigidiEswararao	Gotiwada
44	787	UppiliEawararao	Gotiwada
45	812	GorliDemudu	Gotiwada
46	1355	Akkireddi Apa Rao	Gollalapalem
47	1372	Boddeti Mahalaxmi Naidu	Aripaka
48	962	Potla Narasimha Murthy	Batajangalapalem
49	831	AkulaRamu	Iruwada
50	954	AdariPoliMaheswararao	Batajangalapalem
51	586	EgalaNagalaxmi	Nallaregulapalem
52	963	Chikati Sujatha	Batajangalapalem
53	1857	AkkenaJaggan Mohan Rao	Anthakapalli
54	813	Gorli Satyanarayana	Gotiwada
55	595	OmmiVaralaxmi	Nallaregulapalem
56	876	BondalapatiSuneeta	Galibheemavaram
57	877	ParnamHima Lakshmi	Galibheemavaram
58	881	GavaraKanakaraju	Galibheemavaram
59	880	GavaraLaxmana Rao	Galibheemavaram
60	879	PalliMangamma	Galibheemavaram
61	395	GonnaSanyasamma	Gotiwada
62	232	Salapu Appalanarasamma	Gotiwada
63	808	Tirumala Tirupathi Devastanam	Gotiwada
64	713	MunagalaPrasada Rao	Tekkalipalem

All the Pattadar Pass books cum Title Deeds are handed over to the Tahsildar, Sabbavaram.

During surprise check, the DSP, ACB, Visakhapatnam secured the presence of Sri Patchipala Polaraju s/o late Appa Rao, 45 yrs., Deputy Tahsildar (Inam) from O/o Revenue Divisional Office, Visakhapatnam to assist the ACB officials in verification of the documents and then the ACB officials logged into Dash Board of Mee-Seva with the help of Dy. Tahsildar user ID and Password with the assistance of computer knowledge PC 1310 and found applications received by Tahsildar Sabbavaram from 01.07.2019 to 23.01.2020 and downloaded through dashboard containing 165 sheets and seized the same by making them in to a made up file.

On perusal of the made up file, it is observed that 4,850 applications were rejected out of 13,812 applications received for various services received from 01.07.2019 to 23.01.2020, 317 are pending within SLA and 218 are pending beyond

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SLA. Out of 4850 rejected applications 2469 i.e. more 50% were relating to mutation of land and issuance of PP book. During the period they have received 3696 applications for mutation, out of which they have rejected 2469 applications i.e. more than 2/3rd of the applications. Out of 4,850 rejected applications, only 524 applications were found in the office of Tahsildar, Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam at the time of surprise check and rest of them are not available.

Out of 4,850 rejected applications, the Tahsildar, Sabbavaram furnished 318 rejected applications through her letter Rc.No.14/2019/SA dated 03.02.2020 & 563 rejected applications on 28.04.2020 without covering letter including 524 rejected applications found at the time of surprise check. Out of which, some applications are randomly verified, and the details are as follows.

Sl.No.	Transaction id	Name of the applicant	Date of application
1.	RMU011902476124	Gandi Maheswara Rao	22.07.2019
2.	RAMU011902389864	Sabbavarapu Narasimha Murthy	10.07.2019
3.	NMU011903372057	Sabbavarapu Narasimha Murthy	19.11.2019
4.	RMU011902927918	Alla Kannam Naidu	09.09.2019
5.	RMU011903552739	Balireddy Rama Rao	23.11.2019
6.	RMU011903266452	Resupudi Laxmana Rao	22.10.2019
7.	RMU011903676543	Pediredla Ramesh	14.12.2019
8.	RMU011903672987	Bagavalli Divyateja	13.12.2019
9.	RMU011903445635	Reesu Gangunaidu	09.11.2019
10.	RMU011903464672	Reesu Manikyam	12.11.2019
11.	RMU011902548668	Bodithaboyina Paradesi	
12.	RMU011902547025	Dasari Ramana	30.07.2019
13.	RMU011902516534	Botta Raj Kumar	26.07.2019

Out of applications, 2 applications i.e. Sl.No.9 and Sl.No.10 of the above table are falls under the jurisdiction of Government servant.

The two applicants were examined with regard to reasons for rejection of their applications without any verification by the officials of Tahsildar Office, Sabbavaram.

1. Reesu Gangaunaidu, S/o. Late Applaswamy, 50 yrs, R/o: D.No.1-378, Gali Bheemavaram, Sabbavaram (M), Visakhapatnam, District.
2. Reesu Manikayam, S/o. Late Appalaswamy, 52 Yrs, R/o: D.No.1-378, GaliBheemavaram, Sabbavaram (M), Visakhapatnam District.

On their examination, they categorically stated that, they have applied for mutation and for issuance of pattadar pass books for their respective lands to the Tahsildar Office, Sabbavaram and they have submitted all the required documents. Later they came to know that their applications were rejected by the officials of Tahasildar, Sabbavaram. When they approached the Tahsildar office officials, they informed them to apply again for mutation and issuance of pass books. Their on-line mutation work is still pending in the Tahsildar Office, Sabbavaram. The officials of Tahsildar office did not give endorsement with regard to their applications.

On examination, Sri Patchipala Polaraju s/o late Appa Rao, 45 yrs., Deputy Tahsildar (Inam) O/o Revenue Divisional Office, Visakhapatnam stated that the reasons for rejecting the applications were not mentioned in the Mee-seva portal as well as in the remarks column of dash board for the mutation applications whereas the reasons are noted for the certificates. The applicants are not being informed about the reasons for rejecting their applications. He further stated that he has verified E-Pass Book Distribution Register and found that E-Pass Book Distribution Register not maintained properly. On perusal of the rejected applications, no acknowledgement of the applicant was found.

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As per G.O.Ms.No.415 (Rev.(Ser-III) Department, Dtd: 26.09.2019 of Government of Andhra Pradesh, the Village Revenue Officer (Grade-I & Grade – II) is responsible for enquire into the applications and submit his/her report to the competent authority but most of the applications were rejected without conducting any enquiry.

Therefore, Sri Ainaparthy Bhaskara Rao, Village Revenue Officer, Galibheemavaram, Paidivada, P. Agraharam Villages, Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam district has failed to distribute 64 e-pass books to the title holders, which are kept pending with him. He also failed to conduct field enquiry and submit his reports and also failed to respond properly to the applicants who approached for their grievance and failed to inform the reasons for rejection of their application.

Thus, the Government Servant Sri Ainaparthy Bhaskara Rao, Village Revenue Officer, Galibheemavaram, Paidivada, P. Agraharam Villages, Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam district by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of member of service and violated Rule 3(1) and (2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

The Government Servant Sri Ainaparthy Bhaskara Rao, S/o. Sri Suryanarayna, Village Revenue Officer, Galibheemavaram, Paidivada, P. Agraharam Villages, Sabbavaram Mandal, Visakhapatnam district has therefore rendered himself liable for departmental action for major penalty.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI A. BHASKARA RAO, S/o. SRI SURYANARAYANA, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER, GALIBHEEMAVARAM, PAIDIVADA VILLAGES O/o. TAHSILDAR, SABBAVARAM MANDAL VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

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1. Surprise check proceedings dated 24.01.2020 drafted in the office of the Tahsildar, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam.
2. A made up file relating to applications received by Tahsildar, Sabbavaram from 01.07.2019 to 23.01.2020, which were downloaded through dashboard containing 165 sheets.
3. E-Pass Book Distribution Register.
4. Letter Rc.No.14/2019/SA dated 03.02.2020 of Tahsildar, Sabbavaram.
5. Letter Rc.No.1786/2020/SDT(I), dated.21.08.2020 of Revenue Divisional Officer, Visakhapatnam.
6. Letter Rc.No.1184/2020A1, dt.27.08.2020 of the District Collector, Visakhapatnam.
7. Letter Rc.No.1670/2020/G/Dt:31.08.2020 of Revenue Divisional Officer, Visakhapatnam along with copies of G.O.Ms.No.3 Dt.5.1.1990, G.O.Ms.No.20 Dt.21-01-2016 and G.O.Ms.No.415 of Revenue Department, Govt. of A.P.
8. Application of Sri Reesu Gangu Naidu of Galibimavaram Village vide application No.RMU011903445635.
9. Statement of Sri Reesu Gangaunaidu S/o Late. Applaswamy, 50 yrs, R/o: D.No.1-378, Gali Bheemavaram, Sabbavaram (M), Visakhapatnam, District. (RA-8)
10. Application of Sri Reesu Maikyam of Galibhimavaram Village vide application No.RMU011903464672.
11. Statement of Sri Reesu Manikayam S/o Late Appalaswamy, 52 Yrs, R/o: D.No.1-378, Gali Bheemavaram, Sabbavaram (M), Visakhapatnam District. (RA-9)
12. Any other document required to prove the charge.

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI A. BHASKARA RAO, S/o. SRI SURYANARAYANA, VILLAGE REVENUE OFFICER, GALIBHEEMAVARAM, PAIDIVADA VILLAGES O/o. TAHSILDAR, SABBAVARAM MANDAL VISAKHAPATNAM DISTRICT ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

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1) Sri Gongala Koteswara Rao, S/o. Late Srirama Chandra Murthy, Administrative Officer, O/o Dy. Transport Commissioner, Visakhapatnam R/o D.No.6-15-17/2, East Point Colony, Near Sai Baba Temple, China Waltair, Visakhapatnam.
2) Sri Vasapalli Dhanaraj, S/o. Late Nalayya, 43 yrs, Senior Assistant, O/o. Dy. Transport Commissioner, Visakhapatnam R/o D.No.44-31-86/52, Suribabu Nagar, Saligramapuram, Visakhapatnam.
3) Sri Patchipala Polaraju, S/o late Appa Rao, 45 Yrs, Deputy Tahsildar (Inam), O/o Revenue Divisional Officer, Visakhapatnam, R/o Flat No.104, 9th Block, Yeduvamsiayathanam apartment, Prasathinagar, Pendurthy, Visakhapatnam.
4) Sri Reesu Gangaunaidu S/o Late. Appalaswamy, 50 yrs, R/o: D.No.1-378, Gali Bheemavaram, Sabbavaram (M), Visakhapatnam, District.
5) Sri Reesu Manikayam S/o Late Appalaswamy, 52 Yrs, R/o: D.No.1-378, Gali Bheemavaram, Sabbavaram (M), Visakhapatnam District.
6) Sri K. Ranga Raju, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Visakhapatnam.
7) Sri S. Ramesh, Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Visakhapatnam.

8) Any other witness required to prove the charge.

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